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Levels between Fluids and Uses Thereof

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Response to Restriction Requirement

Dear Sir:

In response to the requirement for restriction dated December 13, 2002, Applicant elects the claims of Group III, i.e. claims 12 to 15 drawn to a method.

Reconsideration of the requirement for restriction between the claims of Group III and Group IV is requested. Specifically, the method claims 12 to 15 and the device claims 16 to 17 are directed to interdependent inventions. Namely, measuring conductive fractions and flowing multi-phase mixtures.

Further, method claim 12 and device claim 15 include common recitations of multi-phase mixtures, an excitation coil and a detector coil.

In view of the above, it is requested that restriction is not required between groups III and IV.
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